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SUBJ: HUNGARIAN PRESIDENT'S VISIT TO PERU

1. ON OCTOBER 10, PAL LOSONCZI, PRESIDENT OF THE PRESIDENTIAL COUNCIL OF THE HUNGARIAN PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC, ARRIVED IN LIMA TO BEGIN A WELL-PUBLICIZED FRIENDSHIP VISIT. ACCOMPANYING HIM IN THE OFFICIAL DELEGATION WERE FOREIGN TRADE MINISTER JOSEF BIRO, DEPUTY FOREIGN MINISTER ROBERT GARAI, AND VICE PRESIDENT OF THE INSTITUTE OF CULTURAL RELATIONS MIKLOS NAGY. AT THE AIRPORT TO GREET THE VISITORS WERE PERUVIAN PRESIDENT MORALES BERMUDEZ AND FONMIN DE LA PUENTE.

2. INFORMAL TALKS BETWEEN THE TWO PRESIDENTS BEGAN THAT AFTERNOON, FOLLOWED BY CEREMONIES PRESENTING THE HUNGARIAN LEADER WITH THE KEYS TO THE CITY. THAT EVENING, PRESIDENT MORALES BERMUDEZ PRESENTED LOSONCZI WITH PERU'S HIGHEST DECORATION, THE "SOL DEL PERU", AND GAVE A DINNER IN HIS HONOR. LIMA PRESS DESCRIBED MORALES BERMUDEZ AND LOSONCZI AS "OLD FRIENDS" ON THE BASIS OF MORALES BERMUDEZ VISIT TO HUNGARY WHEN HE WAS FINANCE MINISTER.

3. DURING THE FOLLOWING WEEK, THE HUNGARIAN PRESIDENT LAID WREATHS, VISITED THE AGRARIAN UNIVERSITY, A COOPERATIVE, MUSEUMS, HOSPITALS AND THE LIKE. MUCH WAS MADE OF HIS PEASANT BACKGROUND

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AND APPARENT GREAT INTEREST IN THE AGRICULTURAL PROJECTS. (WHEN

BEING SHOWN EXPERIMENTAL FIELDS AT THE AGRARIAN UNIVERSITY, LOSONZCI TOOK UP A TOOL AND DEMONSTRATED HIS FACILITY IN THE USE OF IT.) HE WAS ALSO TREATED TO A SPECIAL TRIP TO CUZCO AND MACHU PICCHU, WHERE HE WAS WARMLY RECEIVED. DURING THE WEEK THE TWO LEADERS MET FOR FURTHER TALKS, ONE SESSION LASTING 55 MINUTES. THE ACCOMPANYING TEAM (BIRO, GARAI AND NAGY) ALSO MET WITH THEIR PERUVIAN COUNTERPARTS THROUGHOUT THE WEEK.

4. ON OCTOBER 14, THE TWO PRESIDENTS SIGNED A JOINT DECLARATION WHICH EXPRESSED A DESIRE FOR WORLD PEACE AND A NEW INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC ORDER, AND WHICH SUPPORTED THE ACTIVE ROLE OF THE NON-ALIGNED

MOVEMENT. IT ALSO APPLAUDED THE SIGNING OF SEVERAL OTHER AGREEMENTS BETWEEN HUNGARY AND PERU IN THE AREAS OF ECONOMIC COOPERATION, TECHNICAL AID AND CULTURAL EXCHANGES.

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